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Bret Clark
Hub Research & Development Company
377 West 1500 South
Salt Lake City, Utah 84115

Subject: Division Directive to Repair Portal Access and Closure of Directive to Repair Road, Hub Research & Development Company, Miller Rock Mine, S/015/0043, Emery County, Utah

Dear Mr. Clark:

By letter dated September 9, 2015, you were required to repair road damage at the Miller Rock Mine. The site was inspected on June 2, 2016, and the required repairs have been completed.

During the same inspection it was noted that one of the portal gates had come off its hinges. While there was about eight inches of soil at the bottom of the gate, access to the portal could easily be obtained.

Rule R647-3-107.11 requires that shafts and tunnels be closed or guarded to prevent unauthorized or accidental entry in accordance with MSHA regulations.

The Division is directing you to secure all portals by August 12, 2016. Failure to comply could result in enforcement action.

Please contact Wayne Western at 801-538-5263 if you have questions or concerns about this requirement. Thank you for your cooperation.

Sincerely,

Paul B. Baker
Minerals Program Manager

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cc: Mike Glasson, Chris Conrad, and Terry Snyder, BLM (mglasson@blm.gov, cconrad@blm.gov, tsnyder@blm.gov)
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